

LOGNOTE -- Chief, Okinawa Bureau -- 29 August 1991

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PERIMETER FENCE: Spoke with Col. Ron Torgerson, commander of the 18th Civil Engineering Group on Kadena (63404270) this afternoon about bureau plans to extend the operations compound's perimeter fence westward about 20-30 yards to enclose a space for a new satellite antenna. I explained my assumption that, although the area to be fenced was already leased as a part of our antenna field, I thought the DFAB would insist on having some input or approval of a change in the status quo. After checking with his real estate people, Col Torgerson indicated that DFAB involvement is not required in this case. The rule of thumb in Air Force land issues is that if our plans involve disruption of any tacit farming operations, DFAB would want to be notified; in this case, however, since there is no such disruption contemplated and the land is already DFAB-leased on our behalf, the bureau may proceed to extend the compound fence to enclose the area without any bureaucratic approval process.

Torgerson added that the 18th CEG could handle the project in-house, so there would be no need to contract-out a job of that size. He suggested that we simply fill out a work order form and supply drawings of what we have in mind.

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